

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method comprising:
reading one or more track offsets from a disk compact disk ("CD"); and
encoding said offsets into an identification code; and
performing a database lookup using said identification code offsets to identify
information associated with said disk[[CD]] in said database ("disk[[CD]]-related
information").
2. (canceled).
3. (original) The method as in claim 1[[2]] wherein encoding comprises:
executing a hash algorithm to generate said identification code.
4. (original) The method as in claim 3 wherein said hash algorithm is an MD5
hash algorithm.
5. (currently amended) The method as in claim 4 wherein an said MD5 hash
produced by said MD5 has algorithm is rendered in a Base-64 format.
6. (currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein said disk[[CD]]-related
information comprises disk[[CD]] titles and disk[[CD]] track titles.

Claims 7-34 (canceled).

35. (new) An apparatus comprising:
- means for reading one or more track offsets from a disk;
 - means for encoding said offsets into an Identification code; and
 - means for performing a database lookup using said identification code to identify information associated with said disk in said database ("disk-related information").
36. (new) The apparatus as in claim 35 wherein the means for encoding comprises means for executing a hash algorithm to generate said Identification code.
37. (new) The apparatus as in claim 36 wherein said hash algorithm is an MD5 hash algorithm.
38. (new) The apparatus as in claim 37 wherein an MD5 hash produced by said MD5 hash algorithm is rendered in a Base-64 format.
39. (new) The apparatus as in claim 35 wherein said disk-related information comprises at least one of disk titles and disk track titles.
40. (new) A computer-readable medium comprising program code to be executed by a computer, the program code comprising:
- program code for reading one or more track offsets from a disk;

program code for encoding said offsets into an identification code; and
program code for performing a database lookup using said identification code
to identify information associated with said disk in said database ("disk-related
information").

41. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 40 wherein the program
code for encoding comprises program code for executing a hash algorithm to
generate said identification code.

42. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 41 wherein said hash
algorithm is an MD5 hash algorithm.

43. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 42 wherein an MD5 hash
produced by said MD5 hash is rendered in a Base-64 format.

44. (new) The computer-readable medium as in claim 35 wherein said disk-
related information comprises at least one of disk titles and disk track titles.